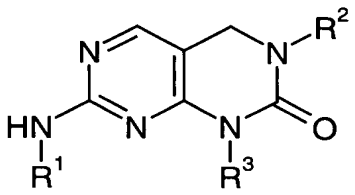
What is claimed is:

1. A bicyclic heterocycle, comprising a compound of the formula



(I)

wherein

R^1 is hydrogen, lower alkyl, aryl, aryl-lower alkyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryl-lower alkyl, lower cycloalkyl or lower cycloalkyl-lower alkyl,

R^2 is lower alkyl, aryl, aryl-lower alkyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryl-lower alkyl, lower cycloalkyl or lower cycloalkyl-lower alkyl, and

R^3 is hydrogen, lower alkyl, aryl, aryl-lower alkyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryl-lower alkyl, lower cycloalkyl, lower cycloalkenyl or lower cycloalkyl-lower alkyl,

wherein each said aryl and heteroaryl is independently unsubstituted or substituted by one or more groups selected from the group consisting of halogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower-alkoxy lower alkyl, trifluoromethyl, hydroxy, hydroxy lower-alkyl, carboxylic acid, carboxylic ester, nitro, amino, phenyl, -Z-NR^4R^5 and -Z-OR^6;

wherein Z is -$O(CH_2)_n$- in which n is 2, 3 or 4, or -$(CH_2)_m$- in which m is 1, 2, 3 or 4 and wherein each hydrogen of the –$(CH_2)_m$ chain is present or independently replaced by lower-alkyl, hydroxy lower-alkyl or lower-alkyloxy lower-alkyl; and

R^4 and R^5 are each individually hydrogen or lower alkyl or R^4 and R^5 together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached are a 4-, 5- or 6-membered saturated or partially unsaturated or 5- or 6-membered aromatic heterocyclic group which contains one or more hetero atoms selected from nitrogen, sulfur and oxygen and which is optionally substituted by lower alkyl, lower alkoxy and/or oxo and/or which is optionally benz-fused; and

R^6 is hydrogen or lower-alkyl;

or, if the compound is basic a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof with an acid, and if the compound is acidic a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof with a base.

2. The heterocycle according to claim 1 wherein the compound is of the formula

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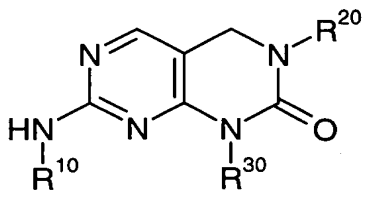

(Ia)

wherein R^{10} is lower alkyl, aryl or aryl-lower alkyl, R^{20} is aryl and R^{30} is hydrogen, lower alkyl, aryl or aryl-lower alkyl.

3. The heterocycle according to claim 2 wherein the compound is of the formula

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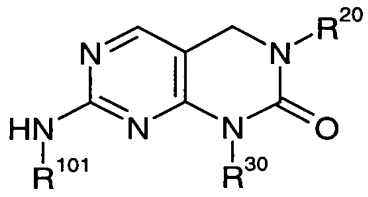

(Iai)

wherein R^{101} is aryl and R^{20} and R^{30} have the significance given in claim 2.

4. The heterocycle according to claim 3, wherein R^{101} is unsubstituted or substituted phenyl.

5. The heterocycle according to claim 4, wherein R^{101} is unsubstituted phenyl.

6. The heterocycle according to claim 4, wherein R^{101} is phenyl substituted by $-O(CH_2)_nR^4R^5$, wherein n is 2 and R^4 and R^5 are both ethyl.

7. The heterocycle according to claim 4, wherein R^{20} is halophenyl.

8. The heterocycle according to claim 4, wherein R^{20} is 2,6-dichlorophenyl.

9. The heterocycle according to claim 2, wherein R^{30} is phenyl substituted by a group of the formula -Z-NR^4R^5.

10. The heterocycle according to claim 1 wherein the compound is of the formula

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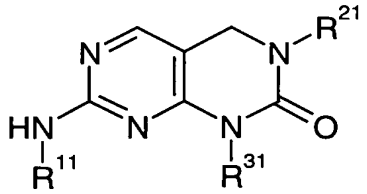

(Ib)

wherein R^{11} is lower alkyl, R^{21} is aryl and R^{31} is heteroaryl-lower alkyl.

11. The heterocycle according to claim 10, wherein R^{11} is isopropyl.

12. The heterocycle of claim 11, wherein R^{21} is halophenyl.

13. The heterocycle according to claim 10, wherein R^{21} is halophenyl.

14. The heterocycle of claim 1, 1-[3-(2-Aminoethyl)phenyl]-7-anilino-3-(2,6-dichlorophenyl)-3,4-dihydro-pyrimido[4,5-d]pyrimidin-2(1H)-one.

15. A process for the manufacture of the heterocycle according to claim 1, which process comprises

(a) reacting a compound of the formula

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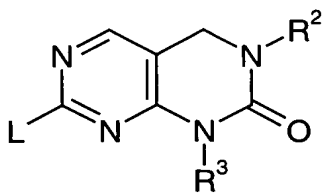

(II)

wherein R^2 and R^3 have the significance given in claim 1, with the proviso that any hydroxy, amino or carboxylic acid group present may be in protected form, and L signifies benzyl sulfonyl or lower alkanesulfonyl,

with an amine of the formula

$$R^1—NH_2 \qquad (III)$$

wherein R^1 has the significance given in claim 1, with the proviso that any hydroxy, amino or carboxylic acid group present may be in protected form,

and, where required, converting a protected hydroxy or protected amino or protected carboxylic acid group present in the reaction product into a free hydroxy or free amino or free carboxylic acid group,

or

b) for the manufacture of a compound of formula I in which R^1 represents hydrogen, cleaving off the aryl-methyl group from a compound of formula I in which R^1 signifies aryl-methyl,

and

c) if desired, converting a basic compound of formula I obtained into a pharmaceutically acceptable salt with an acid, or converting an acidic compound of formula I obtained into a pharmaceutically acceptable salt with a base.

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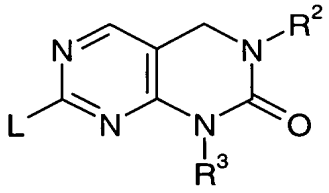
A compound of the formula



(II)

wherein R^2 and R^3 have the significance given in claim 1, with the proviso that any hydroxy, amino or carboxylic acid group present may be in protected form, and L signifies benzyl sulfonyl or lower alkanesulfonyl.

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